In re application of:

GARDELLA et al.

Appl. No.: 09/869,565

Filed: October 17, 2001

For: PTH Receptor and Screening Assay

Utilizing the Same

Confirmation No.: 4604

Art Unit: 1646

Examiner: Zachary C. Howard

Atty. Docket: 0609.4730000/SRL/PAC

Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for replying to the outstanding Office Action be extended one month from November 1, 2005, to December 1, 2005, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$120.00 for a one-month extension for a large entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

12/05/2005 HALI11

00000002 09869565

01 FC:1251

120.00 OP

Steven R. Ludwig

Attorney for Applicants

Registration No. 36,203

Date: December 1, 2005

1100 New York Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005-3934

(202) 371-2600

470782 1.DOC